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Applicants: Steven M. Blumenau, et al.
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DEVICES IN A STORAGE SYSTEM WITH ACCESS CONTROL
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

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- This application is a continuation-in-part of application serial no. 09/343,969, filed June 30, 1999, entitled USER INTERFACE FOR MANAGING STORAGE IN A STORAGE SYSTEM COUPLED TO A NETWORK, and now pending, which is a continuation-in-part of application serial no. 09/107,618, filed June 30, 1998, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING DATA MANAGEMENT FOR A STORAGE SYSTEM COUPLED TO A NETWORK, and now pending. -

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